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Status						
1)⊠	Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>08 C</u>	October 2004.				
2a)⊠	This action is FINAL . 2b) This	action is non-final.				
3)□	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.					
Disposition of Claims						
 4) Claim(s) 1-5,7-16,21-26,28-42 and 44-52 is/are pending in the application. 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration. 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) Claim(s) 1-5,7-16,21-26,28-42 and 44-52 is/are rejected. 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. 						
Application Papers						
9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.						
10)	10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.					
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a). Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).						
11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.						
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12)[_] a)[Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority document 2. Certified copies of the priority document 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority application from the International Bureasee the attached detailed Office action for a list	ts have been received. Is have been received in Applicati rity documents have been receive u (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).	on No ed in this National Stage			
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

Claims 1-5, 7, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16, 21-26, 28, 30, 31, 33, 36—42, 44, 45 and 47-50 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Evans, US 3,717,857 (Feb. 20, 1973)

This holding, incorporated herein, is maintained from the prior action for the cited claims as amended. Response to the applicant's remarks are provided below and incorporated herein.

Claims 1, 7-11, 23, 25, 29, 32, 34, 46, 49 and 51 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Morgan, US 6,461,245 (Oct. 8, 2002).

This holding, incorporated herein, is maintained from the prior action for the cited claims as amended. Response to the applicant's remarks are provided below and incorporated herein.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

Claims 14, 35 and 52 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Morgan in view of Cleveland, US 5,816,953 (Oct. 6, 1998).

This holding, incorporated herein, is maintained from the prior action for the cited claims as amended. Response to the applicant's remarks are provided below and incorporated herein.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed October 8, 2004 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. The examiner's response to each argument is provided below.

The applicant argues that the claimed invention, as amended, is not anticipated by Evans or Morgan because the references do not disclose a selection device configured to selected a pre-stored

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action program dependent upon a profile or action program. The examiner respectfully disagrees. First, Evans discloses a switching circuit for selecting action parameters stored in memory for display dependent upon the parameters selected for a user's performance. See col. 5:1-14, 4:33-49. Thus, Evans anticipates the claim limitation. Second, Morgan discloses a selection means for selecting performance data stored in memory for comparison to a player's profile data depending on the selected data. See col. 6:45-8:9. Thus, Morgan also anticipates the claim limitation.

Furthermore, the applicant asserts that the claimed invention is not anticipated by the prior art because it automatically selects a pre-stored action program. In response, it is noted that this features is not recited in the rejected claims. Although the claims are interpreted in light of the specification, limitations from the specification are not read into the claims. See *In re Van Geuns*, 988 F.2d 1181, 26 USPQ2d 1057 (Fed. Cir. 1993). In particular, the claims merely describe a device which selects an action program dependent on a profile. This limitation may be met by a manual switch. Thus the argument is unpersuasive. Notably, it *per se* obvious to automate a manual activity to accomplish the same result. *In re Venner*, 262 F.2d 91, 95, 120 USPQ 193, 194 (CCPA 1958).

Furthermore, the applicant asserts that the claims are not anticipated by Morgan because the reference teaches away from the invention. The examiner respectfully disagrees. A claim is anticipated if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference. *Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 USPQ2d 1051, 1053 (Fed. Cir. 1987). As discussed above, Morgan anticipates each and every element of the claims. Thus, the argument is unpersuasive.

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Furthermore, the applicant argues that claims 14, 35 and 52 are unobvious over Morgan in view of Cleveland because Cleveland does not describe the features of a ratio or percentage distribution of successful shots. The examiner respectfully disagrees. In response to applicant's arguments against the references individually, one cannot show nonobviousness by attacking references individually where the rejections are based on combinations of references. See In re Keller, 642 F.2d 413, 208 USPO 871 (CCPA 1981); In re Merck & Co., 800 F.2d 1091, 231 USPQ 375 (Fed. Cir. 1986). The standard of patentability is what the prior art, taken as a whole, suggests to an artisan at the time of the invention. In re Merck & Co., Inc., 800 F.2d 1091,1097, 231 USPQ 375, 379 (Fed. Cir. 1986). The question is not only what the references expressly teach, but what they would collectively suggest to one of ordinary skill in the art. In re Simon, 461 F.2d 1387, 1390, 174 USPQ 114, 116 (CCPA 1972). In this case Morgan disclose a system adapted to track the properties of a golf player wherein a ratio or percentage distribution of successful shots is recorded and displayed. See fig. 9A-9J. Cleveland discloses an analogous system for tracking the performance of a tennis player. When the prior art is taken as a whole by an artisan at the time of the invention, it collectively suggests a tennis training system wherein a ratio or percentage distribution of successful shots. As suggested by Cleveland, tracking and recording a tennis player's performance enhances the players improvement in the sport by allowing it to be compared and with prior performances. See col. 2:29-4:8.

Prior Art, Not Relied On

The following prior art of record is not relied upon but is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure:

US 6,514,081 discloses a automated system for analyzing motion analysis having a selection device configured to selected a pre-stored action program dependent upon a profile or action program. See, e.g., col. 2:14-58, 6:19-34.

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Conclusion

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set

forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a). A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire

THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO

MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end

of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the

date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated

from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply

expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should

be directed to Steven Ashburn whose telephone number is 571-272-4445. The examiner can normally be

reached on Monday thru Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are

unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Derris H Banks can be reached on 571-272-4119. The fax phone

number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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